

of debt capital is estimated to be 7.5 percent, with an overall rate of return of 9.775 percent, based on a 65 percent debt-35 percent equity capital structure.

Millennium requests issuance of blanket certificates pursuant to Subpart G of Part 284 of the Commission's Regulations to provide open-access transportation service and a blanket certificate pursuant to Subpart F of Part 157 of the Commission's Regulations to construct minor facilities and provide routine operations. Millennium also seeks authority under Section 3 of the Natural Gas Act and a Presidential Permit to construct and operate border facilities to attach its facilities to those of TransCanada.

Any person desiring to participate in the hearing process or to make any protest with reference to said application should on or before February 24, 1998, file with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St., N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, a motion to intervene or a protest in accordance with the requirements of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.214 or 385.211) and the Regulations under the Natural Gas Act (18 CFR 157.10). All protests filed with the Commission will be considered by it in determining the appropriate action to be taken but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. The Commission's rules require that protestors provide copies of their protests to the party or parties directly involved. Any person wishing to become a party to a proceeding or to participate as a party in any hearing therein must file a motion to intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules.

A person obtaining intervenor status will be placed on the service list maintained by the Secretary of the Commission and will receive copies of all documents filed by the applicant and by every one of the intervenors. An intervenor can file for rehearing of any Commission order and can petition for court review of any such order. However, an intervenor must submit copies of comments or any other filing it makes with the Commission to every other intervenor in the proceeding, as well as an original and 14 copies with the Commission.

A person does not have to intervene, however, in order to have comments considered. A person, instead, may submit two copies of comments to the Secretary of the Commission. Commenters will be placed on the Commission's environmental mailing list, will receive copies of environmental documents and will be able to participate in meetings

associated with the Commission's environmental review process. Commenters will not be required to serve copies of filed documents on all other parties. However, commenters will not receive copies of all documents filed by other parties or issued by the Commission and will not have the right to seek rehearing or appeal the Commission's final order to a federal court.

The Commission will consider all comments and concerns equally, whether filed by commenters or those requesting intervenor status.

Take further notice that, pursuant to the authority contained in and subject to the jurisdiction conferred upon the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission by Sections 7 and 15 of the Natural Gas Act and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a hearing will be held without further notice before the Commission or its designee on this application if no motion to intervene is filed within the time required herein, if the Commission on its own review of the matter finds that a grant of the certificate is required by the public convenience and necessity. If a motion for leave to intervene is timely filed, or if the Commission on its own motion believes that a formal hearing is required, further notice of such hearing will be duly given.

Under the procedure herein provided for, unless otherwise advised, it will be unnecessary for Millennium to appear or be represented at the hearing.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-200-030]

#### NorAm Gas Transmission Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

February 3, 1998.

Take notice that on January 30, 1998, NorAm Gas Transmission Company (NGT) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, Fourth Revised Volume No. 1, the following revised tariff sheet to be effective February 1, 1998:

Sixth Revised Sheet No. 7C

NGT states that the purpose of this filing is to report modifications to an existing negotiated rate term.

Any person desiring to protest said filing should file a protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE., Washington, DC 20426, in accordance with Section 385.211 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. All such protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**David P. Boergers,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Docket No. RP96-367-008]

#### Northwest Pipeline Corporation; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

February 3, 1998.

Take notice that on January 29, 1998, Northwest Pipeline Corporation (Northwest) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, the following tariff sheets to become effective March 1, 1998:

#### Third Revised Volume No. 1

Thirteenth Revised Sheet No. 5  
Tenth Revised Sheet No. 5-A  
Sixth Revised Sheet No. 6  
Seventh Revised Sheet No. 7  
Eleventh Revised Sheet No. 8  
Sixth Revised Sheet No. 8.1  
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 19  
Third Revised Sheet No. 21  
Fourth Revised Sheet No. 31  
Second Revised Sheet No. 106  
Second Revised Sheet No. 232-E  
Third Revised Sheet No. 237-A  
Third Revised Sheet No. 262  
Second Revised Sheet No. 270  
Second Revised Sheet No. 277  
Second Revised Sheet No. 303-A

#### Original Volume No. 2

Twenty-Fourth Revised Sheet No. 2  
Twenty-Second Revised Sheet No. 2.1  
Twenty-Third Revised Sheet No. 2.2  
Twenty-Fourth Revised Sheet No. 2-A

Northwest states that the purpose of this filing is to place into effect an interim rate reduction of \$1,000,000 during the pendency of the Commission's consideration of a request for rehearing of the Commission's November 25, 1997 Order Approving Settlement in the captioned proceeding.